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SUBJ: GOP ISSUES WHITE PAPER ON ELECTION IRREGULARITIES

1. THE GOP JULY 24 ISSUED ITS LONG AWAITED WHITE PAPER ON
ELECTION IRREGULARITIES, WHICH PURPORTS TO DOCUMENT ELECTION
MALPRACTICES COMMITTED BY FORMER PRIMIN BHUTTO IN THE MARCH,
1977 POLLS. THE LENGTHY DOCUMENT, WHICH REPORTEDLY INCLUDES
342 PAGES OF PHOTOSTATS OF ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS (SOME INITIALED
BY BHUTTO HIMSELF), CLAIMS THAT:

-- PLANS TO RIG THE GENERAL ELECTION WERE FORMULATED AS
EARLY AS NOVEMBER, 1974, WHEN BHUTTO DECIDED HE WOULD HAVE TO
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KEEP THE CONSTITUTIONALLY INDEPENDENT ELECTION COMMISSION
UNDER GOVERNMENT "CONTROL":

--FUNDS AMOUNTING TO SEVERAL MILLION DOLLARS WERE DI-
VERTED TO THE COFFERS OF BHUTTO'S PAKISTAN PEOPLES PARTY
(PPP) FROM THE GOP'S INTELLIGENCE BUREAU, FROM THE STATE
OWNED AUTOMOBILE SALES CORPORATION, AND, THROUGH AGHA

HASSAN ABEDI, CHAIRMAN OF BANK OF COMMERCE AND CREDIT
INTERNATIONAL, FROM A "FOREIGN HEAD OF STATE":

--IN APRIL, 1976, BHUTTO ORDERED THE PREPARATION OF A
COMPREHENSIVE ELECTION RIGGING PLAN --DUBBED THE "LARKANA
PLAN" AFTER HIS OWN SIND CONSTITUENCY --TO "HARNESS THE
ADMINISTRATION TO THE ELECTORAL MACHINE OF THE PARTY":

--THE PPP PRESSURED CIVIL SERVANTS, APPROPRIATED GOVERN-
MENT AND MILITARY TRANSPORT, AND RESORTED TO KIDNAPPING
AND THREATS TO OPPONENTS, TO ENSURE A BHUTTO VICTORY. IN
ADDITION, THE INTELLIGENCE BUREAU REPORTEDLY WAS "MANDATED"
TO "KEEP THE OPPOSITION FROM COMING TOGETHER", AND CONSTI-
TUENCIES WERE GERRYMANDERED FOR THE BENEFIT OF PPP CAN-
DIDATES.

2. MOST OF THE PROMINENT PERSONALITIES IN BHUTTO'S GOVERN-
MENT ARE CHARGED IN THE WHITE PAPER WITH SOME FORM OF ELECTION
MALPRACTICE. ESPECIALLY HIGHLIGHTED ARE THE ACTIVITIES OF
FORMER FEDERAL MINISTER HAFEEZ PIRZADA, AND FORMER ATTORNEY
GENERAL (NOW BHUTTO'S ATTORNEY IN THE SUPREME COURT APPEAL
HEARING) YAHYA BAKHTIAR.

3. WE ARE POUCHING PUBLISHED SUMMARY OF THE 1,5000 PAGE
WHITE PAPER TO NEA/PAB AND INR.
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